# AMPHITHEATER COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2011 7:00 P.M.

The Amphitheater Committee met on the above date and time in the Edward Jones Conference Room, 1905 N. Main Street., Rushville. Chairman Mike Pavey called the meeting to order. Members present were: Charlie & Peggy Stout, Rick Macy, Cindy Humphrey, Carla Sharpe, Kim Rathz, Mark Sloan, Teresa Asbury, Sandy Fussner, Jemmy Miller, Cain Grocox and John McCane. Also present was Bob Bridges.

#### **Old Business:**

Asbury said the refrigerator is cleaned and ready to be moved to green room.

#### **New Business:**

501. C.3 – Heart of Rushville – Humphrey stated she has talked to the State Board of Accounts and the Amphitheater group needs to be controlled by the City or needs to be controlled by ourselves. Macy made a motion to proceed to be controlled by ourselves. Sloan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

RFP – Review Thursday at 7:00 p.m. at the Elks. Asbury reported two proposals have been submitted. 1) David Leonards 2) Andy Wilson – Bohlsen The RFP group will meet Thursday to review proposals.

Miller reported he has marked the tent slab. There is a dip directly behind where it was this season. He feels moving it to the east a little might be a better spot. If it's moved to the South we will need more stone. Miller stated he hopes to start this work next week.

Sharpe will meet with Laura Wellburn of the Rushville Republican on Wednesday morning at 8:30 to get the Thank You Sponsor Article in the paper.

Pavey stated a letter will go to the City this week requesting a copy of the letter from the State Board of Accounts on the financials of the Amphitheater. Humphrey stated she has talked to the State Board of Accounts and that there is no letter. It was discussed but nothing in writing. Sharpe's Amphitheater Secretary position should not include the job as Mayor's Secretary. Not a good idea to be doing Amphitheater work on City time. Humphrey stated this has just been discussed but that no paperwork exists.

Emergency Plan/Evacuation Plan-Security (CERT) Training – Bob Bridges was present and shared the following: Chuck Kemker is the new EMA Director. Bridges has asked that they be present at Amphitheater concerts and bring the EMA Trailer. Kemker feels this is a good idea but they are low on man power. At present time Ernie Otte is in charge of this group and he will be leaving office soon. They only have 7-9 members on their group and feels there is not enough members to cover each event. If we would like to provide 3-4 people to help out they will work

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with us. Bridges said his board is definitely interested but that we would have to train 3-4 more people.

Bridges stated he would like to see 2-4 more security added to each event and one stationed at beer garden at all times. Feels this could be beneficial in case someone is cut off.

Bridges also reported that Kemker has given the Amphitheater group a weather alert radio for next year.

Bridges stated it will be important to make sure we use monitoring capabilities for each concert to keep up with the weather.

Bridges suggested getting lapel mics.

Bridges reported that CERT Training is on Tuesday nights if anyone is interested.

CERT Training is required for search and rescue. We have to have 30 hours of training to be certified.

Bridges said this will all be contingent upon who takes over Ernie Ottes office at end of the year. Bridges said there is an application that needs to be filed out by September 28<sup>th</sup> which is a simple two page application to get our certification.

Alcohol confiscation procedures: 1) Warning 2) Ask to Leave 3) Record Name

Christian Concert – Pavey stated the Gospel Sing Saturday was very nice, well attended and that Danny Mathews did a wonderful job putting this together.

C. Stout stated that Mathews did an excellent job putting the curtains back too.

Pavey submitted three photos from McGowan Designs for us to choose from to put on "Thank You" cards. The committee voted on which one they wanted to be on the front of the card.

Pavey read a Thank You card from the Rush County United Fund: Dear Mike and Crew, We at the Rush County United Fund would like to thank you for allowing us to set up a table and sell tickets for our fundraiser. Without the support of the Amphitheater we would not have been successful in our ticket sales. We were able to sell over half of our tickets at your venue! Thanks again for your support! Kathy Dean, Lorraine Edwards, Linda Biddle, Betty Shanahan, Wanda Henderson, Ramona Wilkinson, Phil Mitchel and Barbara Kuhn.

Bridges shared with the committee that the last concert was the best ever and everyone wants us to do that again.

P. Stout shared with the group that Dick Eckel really appreciates everything our group does.

Pavey asked C. Stout about curtain use at Amphitheater. Stout stated we don't let people use the green room and we shouldn't let them use the curtains. This is a Parks Board's decision and we need to abide by it. The curtains are not to be touched which needs to be spelled out in the contract.

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Macy suggested taking the curtains down and storing after the last concert. We could build some sort of a storage bin for them.

C. Stout stated we need to get our next year's show dates to Showtyme Sound as soon as possible so we can retain them for next year.

October 29<sup>th</sup> will be the "Completion Party" at Cain and Amy Grocox house.

There being no further business to discuss, meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Carla Sharpe, Secretary